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INFO AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD

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E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: EAGR, ETRD, EAID, AF
SUBJECT: AFGHAN WHEAT PURCHASES

FOR NEA/PAB, HORNBLow; PASS ALSO AID

USDA FOR OFFICE OF GENERAL SALES MANAGER

REFS: A. KABUL 0236 (NOTAL) B. STATE 4908 (AIDAC)

1. UPON RECEIPT REFTel B, EMBASSY IMMEDIATELY CONTACTED
GENERAL ASEF WHO HAD ASSURED EMBOFF ON PREVIOUS DAY THAT
APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS HAD ALREADY BEEN
TRANSMITTED TO AFGHAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. ASEF INQUIRED
AT MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND WAS TOLD THAT INDEED
INSTRUCTIONS HAD BEEN CABLED, BUT THAT AMBASSADOR KARIM WAS
INSISTING ON SIGNED AUTHORIZATIONS AND WOULD NOT ACCEPT THE
CABLES FOR THIS PURPOSE.

2. GENERAL ASEF NOW PLANS PERSONALLY TO TRAVEL TO WASHINGTON
EARLY NEXT WEEK TO HAND CARRY INSTRUCTIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS
TO AMBASSADOR KARIM. GENERAL ASEF WILL ALSO SUPERVISE TWO
COMMERCIAL PURCHASES: ONE AN ADDITIONAL QUANTITY OF WHEAT
SUFFICIENT TO BRING THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF PL 480 PLUS COMMERCIAL
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PURCHASE TO THE ORIGINAL 50,000 MT. HE WILL ALSO MAKE A SECOND
COMMERCIAL PURCHASE OF APPROXIMATELY 100,000 MT (REFTEL
A). LETTERS OF CREDIT FOR BOTH OF THESE PURCHASES ARE PRESENTLY
BEING DRAWN UP.

3. GENERAL ASEF ENJOYS PERSONAL STATUS EQUIVALENT TO CABINET
RANK. WE WILL PROVIDE FURTHER DETAILS REGARDING HIS ITINERARY

AS SOON AS AVAILABLE.

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